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Atlantic Jazz mixes it up

The experimental mingles with classics at music festival

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The first thing you'll notice about Chuck Blazevic is his instrument.

It's a plain board with 256 white, unmarked buttons.

"It's so foreign to most people that it's the real central point of intrigue," says the 24-year-old local musician.

"I like it. It's a good way to talk to people."

It's called a Monome, is made by a small American company and is one of only a few hundred models in existence. The Monome allows Blazevic to record audio samples and play them back, distort them, mix them up and chop them down.

Currently, the Bedford resident has the machine loaded with guitar and piano samples he's written and recorded himself. With the Monome he can take a melody and within seconds mix and bend it into an entirely new tune.

"It's neat because a lot of people will hear that and say it sounds like electronic," he says. "But it's really just all warm electric guitar lines just reassembled completely."

It probably isn't something you'd expect to find at a jazz show, but Blazevic will be performing at this year's Atlantic Jazz Festival under his stage name Dreamsploitation.

It's part of an expanding of horizons at the festival. Instead of limiting itself to strict definitions of "jazz," the festival allows new and experimental acts to mingle with the classics.

Blazevic's music stems



Chuck Blazevic demonstrates a Monome device at his Bedford home yesterday. Blazevic will be performing at St. Matthew's United Church as part of the Atlantic Jazz Festival.

Expanding horizons

- To learn more about Dreamsploitation go to dreamsploitation.com.
- The Atlantic Jazz Festival runs from July 10 to 18. For tickets go to jazzeast.com or call 492-2225.

from his vast listening background involving everything from European soundtracks to 60s pop and, of course, jazz. It's

from jazz that he gets many of his harmonic structures.

"I grew up studying jazz guitar and a lot of the prin-

ciples I learned through jazz have been applied to the music I make now, even though my music doesn't sound like jazz in the traditional sense," he says.

Blazevic plays July 16 and 17 with Bell Orchestre at St. Matthew's United Church at 1479 Barrington St. in Halifax. Tickets are \$25.

Metro brings you the funnies

DAILY FIX Metro Canada is getting into the funny business. Starting today, Metro will be publishing Six Chix, an innovative daily comic created by a group of female cartoonists.

Each daily Six Chix comic, appearing on the Celebrity Buzz page, is created by a different cartoonist — including Rina Piccolo. A Toronto native, whose comics will appear every Wednesday, Piccolo's work has been seen in numerous magazines, books, cartoon anthologies and greeting cards.

Along with your daily dose of Six Chix, Metro Canada is now offering more than 60 cartoon strips a day, and an archive of more than 1,500 comics, on its website, metronews.ca.

These strips include classics like the Amazing Spider-Man, Family Circus, and Hagar the Horrible. You can email them to a friend, rate them, and even create your own humorous captions. **METRO CANADA**

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Finance minister fills in on police review board

Finance Minister Graham Steele is taking the helm of the Nova Scotia Police Review Board temporarily, the province announced Friday. He'll replace Justice Minister Ross Landry, a former staff sergeant with the RCMP, while he's involved in a hearing being held by the same board this September. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Local



Cameras target illegal dumpers

You better watch where you throw your trash because the Nova Scotia government could be watching. The province announced Friday that it's installing hidden cameras to catch people who are unlawfully dumping their garbage on Crown land, which could result in a \$2,000 fine and/or six months in jail. Natural Resources Minister John MacDonell said in a news release the environmentally damaging offence "could easily be avoided" by using proper landfills, recycling and composting.

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Free show a big hit

Virgin Festival stops charging after headliner pulls out

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Maybe the best things in life are free, after all.

Or at least that's what some of the 18,000 music fans who showed up Saturday on Halifax's Citadel Hill seemed to be thinking after Virgin Festival organizers decided to open the event up to everyone, free of charge, once The Tragically Hip pulled out due to a family emergency.

In fact, the only cost of showing up to Nova Scotia's first ever festival put on by Virgin Mobile was being bombarded with a whole lot of corporate branding, a willingness to get down and dirty (literally) and a few lost shoes that were left behind in the mud-covered Garrison Grounds.

"I think it was really awesome that because the headliner, The Tragically Hip, (isn't) around, that they made it free," Mike Henman, 26, of Halifax said shortly after alternative rockers Dinosaur Jr. cranked up the volume on stage.

"It's great to see this many people on the Hill," added his friend Dylan Goddard, 27, also of Halifax.

The two buddies, who didn't plan on coming to the concert because of the \$75 ticket cost but couldn't resist a free show, said they were looking for-



Dexter Holland, frontman for the Offspring, performs along with his band at the Virgin Festival on Saturday night. The Tragically Hip had to cancel their performance due to a family emergency, so the festival went ahead as a free event.

ward to seeing Metric live. The energetic and electric indie band was the second last act to take the stage and did an awesome job of pumping up the audience for headliners The Offspring.

Jennifer Grace and Jenny MacEachern said they bought their tickets for the festival two days after they went on sale for one reason only — The Offspring.

Grace said the move to make it a free festival was likely "a marketing decision."

"They could have really damaged their brand if they cancelled the whole thing, or continued on the way it was without The Hip," she said.

The Offspring didn't seem to disappoint their rabid fans, with a backdrop of flames and skulls accompanying famous an-

thems such as Self Esteem from Smash and Pretty Fly (For a White Guy) from Americana.

"We should have come here earlier," lead singer Dexter Holland, referring to playing in Halifax for the first time, yelled over the enthralled crowd.

"It's not that we didn't want to come. It's just that we wanted to wait until we could be headliners."

Two teens arrested after failed robbery

LOWER SACKVILLE Two people attacked a clerk and tried stealing some cash from a Lower Sackville fast food joint early yesterday morning but in the end they weren't successful.

Halifax RCMP said officers were called to the robbery at Greco Pizza on Beaverbank Road as it was happening just after 12:30 a.m. They arrived on scene after the clerk had been punched in the face.

Police chased down and arrested a 14-year-old and 17-year-old suspect 20 minutes later on Stokil Drive.

Police allege the teenagers smashed a cash register and computer

monitor on the floor, while also breaking some glass on the shop door, but they didn't grab any cash before taking off.

The clerk had managed to leave the store, lure the robbers out and then run back inside and lock the door, police said.

Both suspects were in police custody yesterday morning.

Halifax RCMP said they'll appear in court later to face charges of attempted robbery, mischief and assault. One is also charged with assaulting two police officers.

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Inquiry into death of man who died in custody begins

HOWARD HYDE The inquiry into the death of Howard Hyde, the man who made headlines a couple of years ago after dying in police custody, begins today.

It will be the first fatality inquiry in Nova Scotia to be broadcast live over the Internet. Presiding Judge Anne Derrick ruled in April that the proceedings in court could be webcast. Video and audio will be available for the next five weeks at hydeinquiry.ca as the inquiry unfolds, with proceedings archived online so they can be viewed for up to three days afterwards.

Hyde, who suffered from Schizophrenia, died 30

hours after being stunned with a Taser gun Nov. 22, 2007. Former justice minister Cecil Clarke ordered the inquiry last September under Nova Scotia's Fatality Investigations Act and Public Inquiries Act.

Hyde's death sparked questioning surrounding Taser use in the province. Last summer an advisory council made 16 recommendations to the Justice Department on how to better control Taser use by police across the province.

The inquiry starts at 9:30 a.m. at the Nova Scotia Supreme Court in downtown Halifax and is expected to continue until Aug. 14.

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These results are not official.

'They can't arrest all of us'

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You don't normally have to sneak into a free show.

But at about 9:30 p.m. Saturday evening staff told hundreds of people waiting in line to get into the Virgin Festival in Halifax that the event was at capacity and no one else would be let in. The news did not go over well.

"They can't arrest all of us!" yelled one music fan

as he and dozens of others stormed the fence, leaping into the concert area before security could stop them.

Many fans seeped into the concert area by squeezing through gaps in the fencing, while some went around and overtop of Citadel Hill.

As night fell and The Offspring hit the stage, the crowd just got rowdier. One young man decided to climb some scaffolding so that he could get a better

view, much to the dismay of a police officer who watched and waited from below.

Police officers first brought out handcuffs earlier in the day when a small group decided to hold some mud wrestling matches.

Although Halifax Regional Police kept busy, they reported no major incidents overnight Saturday.

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Halifax's Saint Mary's University has a new associate vice-president of external affairs. Margaret Murphy, current manager of customer communications for Nova Scotia Power, starts her new job this August, a SMU news release said. **METRO HALIFAX**

Canyon teaching kids to live their dreams

LESLEY PIKE
for Metro Halifax



Sunny Side

George Canyon sang over the sound of planes taking off in a hangar at the Halifax International Airport yesterday.

Kids wearing face paint and cowboy hats sat with their parents and watched the country music singer from Pictou County croon.

Halifax was the second last stop in Canyon's acoustic The Sky's Not The Limit tour; he's been flying across the country promoting his message that kids with Type 1 diabetes can achieve their dreams.

The Juno award winner was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes when he was 14 years old.

For Canyon, the hardest part about finding out he had diabetes was that, "they told me I couldn't fly airplanes, I couldn't be in the air force. That was my dream, so all of a sudden life, as I knew it, was over."

Since then, however, he has become a pilot and an honorary colonel in the Canadian military.

"If they can control their diabetes they can live their dreams," Canyon told Metro Halifax yesterday.

He stressed that treating diabetes is not just physical, but also physiological.

"For kids, being different is hard, and sometimes that means they don't take



George Canyon sings You Are My Sunshine with six-year-old Gavin Rowe inside the CanJet hangar at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport yesterday. Canyon did his second last show of his The Sky's Not The Limit cross-Canada tour, by performing to kids who have Type 1 diabetes.

care of their condition as they should," Canyon said. "Once they see they can

live a normal life and can live their dreams, they go back to controlling their

diabetes because they have a goal to work towards." Lynn Ruiter's daughter

"If they can control their diabetes they can live their dreams."

George Canyon

Lydia was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes two years ago.

"It's like having a colic baby," Ruiter said yesterday because of her daughter's nightly 3 a.m. blood sugar checks. "We didn't get a lot of sleep in the beginning, for sure."

"When I want to have something to eat I can't really have it," nine-year-old Lydia said yesterday.

She can only eat vegetables between her scheduled mealtimes and snack times.

Sudden losses shock political community

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POLITICS A second NDP cabinet minister has suffered a death in their immediate family.

Carolyn Estabrooks, 60, wife of Transportation and Energy Minister Bill Estabrooks, died unexpectedly Friday morning.

Halifax RCMP and paramedics were called to the family's Timberlea home at 11:20 a.m. but were not able to revive her. The cause of death is not yet conclusively known, but it is possible it was a heart attack.

NDP caucus colleagues Frank Corbett and Dave Wilson were at the Estabrooks house within hours to comfort their friend.

"The folks I've spoken to are rallying around Bill," said Shawn Fuller, NDP di-

rector of communications. "Bill has been a long-standing and extremely well-liked member of our caucus. People are just devastated for him."

No decision has been made on whether someone will take over Estabrooks' cabinet duties.

The cabinet is already shorthanded because Service Nova Scotia Minister Ramona Jennex is mourning the loss of her son.

Fraser Williams, 21, was critically injured in a car accident in New Brunswick just one day after his mother was sworn in as cabinet minister. Frank Corbett is handling her portfolio until she returns.

The NDP will determine what to do with Estabrooks' portfolio early this week, but so far they do not expect to have to bring in someone from outside of cabinet.



Bill Estabrooks

News in brief

PEEPING TOM A woman awoke to a scary shock during the early morning hours Saturday. Halifax Regional Police said she reported waking up inside her South Street home at about 2:20 a.m. to find a man standing at the foot of her bed. He "brushed his hand against her leg" before running out of the apartment, police said. Police dogs were brought in but had no luck. Police said the suspect was described as about five-foot-eleven with an athletic build.

BIKE Two men will appear in Halifax provincial court today to face robbery charges for allegedly stealing a bicycle off another man, police said. The 26-year-old victim told police that the assailants punched and kicked him before snatching his bike at the corner of Spring Garden Road and South Park Street just after 10:15 p.m. last Friday. Fortunately, he got his bike back and police said they arrested the two suspects a short distance away.

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Wilcox court martial hears Morse testimony

MILITARY A reservist with the West Nova Scotia Regiment was grilled for three hours Friday in the Cpl. Matthew Wilcox court martial over what exactly he saw and heard March 6, 2007.

Master Cpl. Matt Morse testified he had just made it back to his tent on the Kandahar Airfield base in Afghanistan after his work day when he heard a gunshot blast from the other side of the partitioned tent he shared with six other Canadian soldiers.

Cpl. Kevin Megeney of Stellarton, Pictou County, had been shot in the chest and was being propped up by Wilcox, a 23-year-old from Glace Bay, who said he had been playing a game of "quick draw" with Megeney, Morse testified. Wilcox, a member of the

2nd Battalion of the Nova Scotia Highlanders, is charged with manslaughter, criminal negligence causing death and negligent performance of duty in 25-year-old Megeney's death.

Defence lawyer Maj. Stephen Turner attacked Morse's version of what Wilcox allegedly said in the aftermath of Megeney's shooting.

Morse was critical of questions asked by the defence during cross-examination and butted heads with Turner several times. Morse openly challenged Turner's intent when he was asked with whom he discussed the shooting.

"It's a topic I don't normally discuss," Morse said. Testimony continues today.

CAPE BRETON POST

Human trafficking charge laid in raid

WARRANTS Halifax area police have arrested more than a dozen people for a slew of crimes, including what is believed to be the first ever human trafficking charge in Atlantic Canada.

Officers with both Halifax Regional Police and Halifax RCMP executed 25 warrants at 15 homes across the early Friday morning, resulting in 13 individuals now facing more than 60 charges.

Insp. Brad Sullivan of Halifax RCMP told reporters Friday that the raids were part of Operation Intercede, a police initiative targeting a group of people believed to be involved in several criminal activities. The operation evolved from a task force created to investigate violent robberies that occurred in east Dartmouth and Cole Harbour between August 2008 and February 2009.

"The most noteworthy criminal charges resulting from this operation are using a firearm with the intent to wound, conspiracy to traffic in illegal firearms and a variety of other weapons offences, conspiracy to traffic in a variety of illicit drugs, break and enter, fraud, human trafficking (and) living off the avails of prostitution," says the statement Sullivan read.

Supt. Mike Burns of Halifax Regional Police noted that several of the weapons offences are in relation to a shooting that occurred in the Scotia Court area of Dartmouth on April 30.

"Our recent targeted enforcement has removed firearms from our streets," his statement says.

Police also seized drugs, two firearms, one imitation firearm and ammunition.

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Charity participant robbed

CRIME The parents of a charity bike ride participant were the victims of a vehicle smash and grab Friday night.

Halifax police say officers responded to a theft from a motor vehicle complaint in the area of Lower Water and Salter streets just before 9 p.m.

Deborah and Michael McDermott are visitors to Nova Scotia and their son is participating in a bike

tour for multiple sclerosis. The back window was smashed out of their vehicle and a laptop containing all their pictures and information regarding the MS bike tour was taken from them.

Halifax Regional Police are encouraging anyone with any information on the smash and grab to call 490-5016.

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The B.C. Civil Liberties Association is warning free speech will be in danger during the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, CBC News Online reports. The organization claims students living on campus at the University of British Columbia are being asked to sign away their right to free speech during the two-week event. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Canada



NDP wants more cash for farmers

Federal NDP Leader Jack Layton is again urging the federal government to approve emergency money for Prairie farmers facing one of the worst droughts in decades, CBC News Online reports. During a visit to Saskatoon Saturday, he said farmers need immediate aid, adding he has never seen the region so dry. "Even flying in here from Calgary, just looking down at the fields, I've never seen it like that and I've travelled this country many times," he said. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Injured Canadian dies

Roadside bombing last month claims soldier

A Canadian soldier who was injured by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan last month has died in a Quebec hospital.

Master Cpl. Charles-Philippe Michaud, 28, was seriously injured around 9 a.m. local time on June 23 after he stepped on an improvised explosive device in the Panjwayi District, southwest of Kandahar.

He was immediately airlifted to the coalition medical facility at Kandahar Airfield and then transported to the Landstuhl Regional Medical Centre in Germany.



Michaud

Body returns home

About 2,000 soldiers turned out at Kandahar Airfield on Saturday to pay their respects as the casket of Cpl. Nick Bulger was loaded onto a transport plane for the journey home to Canada, CBC News Online reports.

Bulger, 30, of the 3rd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, based in Edmonton, was killed Friday when the convoy he was in struck a roadside bomb in southern Afghanistan's Zhari district. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

On June 28, he was taken to a Quebec City hospital. Doctors say he never regained consciousness.

He passed away around 2 p.m. Saturday.

Michaud, who was from the 2nd Battalion, Royal 22nd Regiment based at Canadian Forces Base Valcartier near Quebec City, was on his third operational tour. It was his second time serving in Afghanistan.

Michaud is survived by his wife, parents and a brother. He becomes the 122nd soldier to die in Afghanistan.

In a statement released yesterday, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said he was "aware of (Michaud's) heroic battle to survive severe injuries. The thoughts of all Canadians are with Master Cpl. Michaud's family today." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Ottawa Enter sandman



Performers danced as a part of the Wonders of Sand festival at Lac Beauport in Ottawa yesterday. More than 15,000 people came to check out the 17 professional, jungle-themed sculptures. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Harper to talk economy with G8 leaders: Official

MEETING It's hard to say who is more jangled these days.

Residents of the Italian city of L'Aquila, rattled every other day by earthquake aftershocks, trying to host to this week's annual meeting of leaders of the world's top eight industrialized countries.

Or the G8 leaders themselves, unnerved by an ongoing global credit crisis, rising protectionist sentiment in pivotal economies like the United States and China, and instability in regions like Afghanistan-Pakistan, Iran and North Korea. In reality, Canadian officials privately say, the shaky global economy, and questions about whether it's really hit bottom, are centre-stage.

"The main focus for the prime minister is going to be the economy," said one official.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper leaves tomorrow for Italy, where he will participate in talks about whether new rules are needed to avoid a new financial crisis.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

PIPELINE An explosion damaged a natural gas pipeline in northeast British Columbia Saturday, the sixth attack on an energy facility in that area in recent months. The explosion about eight kilometres south of the community of Dawson Creek, B.C., caused a leak but no injuries were reported.

TAXES Other companies are likely to follow Tim Hortons Inc. in moving their corporate structures to Canada to take advantage of a falling corporate tax rate, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said Friday. The coffee shop chain said it applied to return to its Canadian roots.

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PM remembers MP's struggle

Reflecting on the life and tragic suicide of a young former Saskatchewan MP, Prime Minister Stephen Harper urged a greater public understanding of the severe anxiety and depression that touch so many Canadians.

At a funeral in Regina Saturday, Harper eulogized Dave Batters, 39, who committed suicide June 30, as a colleague whose energy and enthusiasm "were infectious."

Batters's suicide shook the ranks of fellow Conservatives and others on Parliament Hill.

A few months before Batters announced that he would not run again last fall, the prime minister said, "I became aware that beneath this veneer of optimism, Dave struggled with severe anxiety and depression."

"While we cannot understand why a loved one would act with such sudden finality, we need to know that Dave is not alone. Each year, nearly 4,000 Canadians make this same choice."

Although science has

made progress in understanding mental illness, "we still don't know enough about depression, and less about suicide," Harper said.

"But we know this much: Depression can strike the sturdiest of souls. It cares not how much you have achieved, nor how much you have to live for."

Severe anxiety and depression hit men and women "in their primary working years and, most sadly, in their adolescent children," according to a transcript of Harper's comments at the funeral.

"Unlike its myth, depression is not a function of character except that to fight it summons a strength of character, and a great strength of character like Dave's to fight it as long as he did."

Harper praised Batters, who revealed his illness when he announced he would not run for re-election, for having the "courage" to deal with his illness "head-on."

Batters cited his illness and a dependency on pre-

scription drugs in dropping out of the race for Paliser, a riding that encompasses Regina and Moose Jaw.

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Man with knife sexually assaults B.C. girl

RCMP A six-year-old girl was sexually assaulted and her older brother and his friend threatened at knifepoint, RCMP said yesterday.

The girl, her 12-year-old brother and his friend, 15, were walking Friday when a

man approached them with a knife. RCMP say he threatened the two boys, ordering them to remain where they were, then took the girl to a different area and sexually assaulted her before running off.

METRO CANADA

Relax citizenship rules for foreign births, report says

PARLIAMENT Ottawa should grant citizenship rights to people born outside the country to a Canadian parent, provided the mother or father lived in Canada for a given time before the child was born, says a parliamentary report.

The recommendation from the standing committee on citizenship and immigration comes after Bill C-37, which took effect in April, discontinued the practice of giving citizenship to children born outside Canada to parents who are naturalized Canadians.

"It is in Canada's interest for the government to ensure that citizenship is not passed on to 'citizens of convenience,'" the all-party committee said in its report, which was released last week.

But it added: "We are of the opinion that the parents' attachment to Canada can be measured by the amount of time they resided in Canada before their child was born."

Bill C-37 was introduced in response to the problem of "lost Canadians"—people who for technical rea-

sons weren't considered Canadian citizens—something they often learned about only when they applied for citizenship documents.

The simplified rules helped resolve 95 per cent of the "lost Canadian" cases, though at least 71 of them remain outstanding. But it also meant that second-generation children born abroad, and children born to people whose Canadian parents had adopted them overseas, lost their assumed right to citizenship.

During the committee hearings, witnesses testified that the new law could result in some children born abroad to Canadian parents being citizens of no country at all.

"Although a number of countries have a mechanism to grant citizenship to children born within their borders who would otherwise be stateless, the risk of statelessness should not be overlooked, given the complexity of citizenship laws," the four-page report said.

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Mass monkey escape closes zoo
Chester Zoo, Britain's most popular wildlife attraction, was evacuated yesterday after 30 chimpanzees escaped from their enclosure. The animals found their way into a keeper area where their food is normally prepared. "We had an army of chimps eating their way through the kitchen and the decision was taken, quite rightly, to evacuate," a spokeswoman said. **REUTERS**

World/Business

Plane denied landing

Honduran president turned away amid clashes

Ousted Honduran President Manuel Zelaya turned back from an attempted return home yesterday after soldiers clashed with his supporters as he tried to land, fuelling tensions over the coup that toppled him.

Zelaya's plane landed in neighbouring Nicaragua, after he said initially his

flight from Washington would divert to El Salvador.

"Faced with this situation, we have to go on with what we had planned, which is a meeting with the other presidents in the region," he told the Telesur news channel from the plane.

Honduras' interim gov-

ernment, which has resisted growing international pressure over the coup, refused Zelaya permission to enter the country and warned he would be arrested.

Hundreds of troops fanned out around the runway to protect the airport.

Violence erupted after protesters broke through

airport fencing.

Troops fired tear gas and clashed with the rock-throwing crowd, witnesses said.

Zelaya, a leftist, was pushed out of office by troops and flown to Costa Rica a week ago in a coup triggered by a dispute over presidential term limits.

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Spain Bull ride



Spanish bullfighter Jose Tomas is tossed by a bull during a bullfight at the Monumental bullring in Barcelona yesterday.

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Clerics: Results 'invalid'

IranCrisis

IRAN A pro-reform Iranian clerical group said yesterday the outcome of last month's presidential vote was "invalid," even though Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei has upheld the result.

In a sign of a deepening rift among Shiite clerics, the Assembly of Qom Seminary Scholars and Researchers also called for the release of Iranians arrested

in protests after the hard-line president was declared winner of the June 12 vote.

The assembly has little political influence but its statement is a significant act of defiance since Qom is the power base of the clerical establishment.

It follows calls for leaders of the protests, in which at least 20 people were killed, to be put on trial.

REUTERS

Look back on how events have unfolded with our ongoing Unrest in Iran Section at metronews.ca



News in brief

U.S. Republican Senator John McCain expressed support for his former presidential running mate, Sarah Palin, Saturday as Washington speculated about why the Alaska governor abruptly announced her resignation Friday. Some commentators said it was a strange move for one with presidential ambitions, opening her to po-

tential criticism that she quit her post to pursue a personal agenda. Palin's lawyers released a statement Saturday denying allegations her resignation was linked to a criminal investigation. McCain's support came after aides from last year's campaign outlined their grievances with her in the current issue of Vanity Fair.

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Business

More window-shop online

The recession is driving more Canadian consumers to shop online, comparing prices and features, but more often than not they are still going into the store to buy.

More Canadian merchants, from women's chain Reitman's to yoga wear specialist Lululemon,

are finally opening their first online stores, despite the economic downturn. Younger consumers expect it and U.S. competitors are raising the bar, retailers said.

Even Canadian Tire, which stopped selling products online earlier this year, continues to operate

a site where customers can check out its products before making a purchase. Early Internet adopters, including Best Buy and Future Shop, are plunging ahead with social media such as Twitter and Facebook on their websites.

"Canadians are online. They're researching often,

and what's most interesting is they're researching earlier," Google Canada spokeswoman Wendy Rozeluk said. "... Because of the economic uncertainty, people are trying to be much more leery, figuring out where they can get the best deals."

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Opel bidding war not over yet

AUTO The outcome of the bidding war for German carmaker Opel, currently being led by Canadian auto parts supplier Magna, is still up in the air, Germany's economy minister told a German newspaper.

"I acknowledge Magna's ambitious goal, wanting to sign a contract by mid July," Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg was quoted as saying by Westdeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung. "However, there still seem to be some

"There still seem to be some unanswered questions."

Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg

unanswered questions."

Sources had told Reuters in June that GM and Magna had set a target of July 15 for agreeing on the sale of a majority stake in Opel.

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Business in brief

MINING Vancouver-based mining firm Teck Resources said on Friday it will sell a 17.2 per cent equity stake to state-owned China Investment Corp in a deal that will help the company pay down its debt. Teck, a top producer of zinc, copper and metallurgical coal, said CIC will acquire the stake through a private placement that will raise \$1.74 billion.

PROTECTION Adaltis Inc., a Montreal medical device maker, said Friday it was granted protection from its creditors by

a Quebec court while it works on a reorganization plan. The court also approved debtor-in-possession financing of up to \$3 million through Victoria Square Ventures Inc.

CHINA Deputy Foreign Minister He Yafei said yesterday the U.S. dollar would continue to be the world's leading reserve currency. Beijing has floated the idea of an alternative to the dollar as world reserve currency and wants the topic broached at the Group of Eight summit this week.

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Rats, tents and insights

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Today, I'm marking another birthday. Actually the big day isn't until August but leaving it until the last minute doesn't allow for important birthday activities such as reflection, goal-setting and making out a really good gift list. If "it's better to give than receive," I wouldn't dream of leaving my friends and family out of the good part.

Birthdays are an excellent time to take stock of what you've learned in the past year.

Here's my list.

If you drive a Smart car, it's a good idea to close the sunroof before you press the windshield sprayer button. Trust me.

Advice from my friend, Rob. If you can't get served in a large, well-known Canadian hardware store, start putting together a tent. Rob spent a half-hour searching for assistance with camping gear, finally deciding that all sales associates must be hiding in the back room. I've worked in retail and I can tell you that no salesperson would ever be allowed to do that. That's where the manager hides. Finally, Rob decided to try putting together a tent. Within seconds, three employees appeared, eager to stop him. "They said it was a question of cleanliness," he said, which seems odd, given where tents end up. Rob is now considering carrying a tent

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around with him in case he needs assistance in other places.

For years I've battled squirrels in my yard but lately I've come to accept that perhaps they're not so bad after all. What helped me reach this Zen state? I now have a rat. I spotted it under my bird feeder. I behaved like any reasonable intelligent adult. I freaked out entirely. Then I called the city. City rodent officer (yes, there is one): Can I help you? Me: Rat! Rat!

CRO: Can you describe the situation, ma'am?

Me: Rat! Rat!

CRO: Rats aren't really more dangerous than squirrels. I'm not sure why people get so agitated.

Me: Um ... because it's a rat?

CRO: How often is it appearing?

Me: Every few minutes.

CRO: That's its mate.

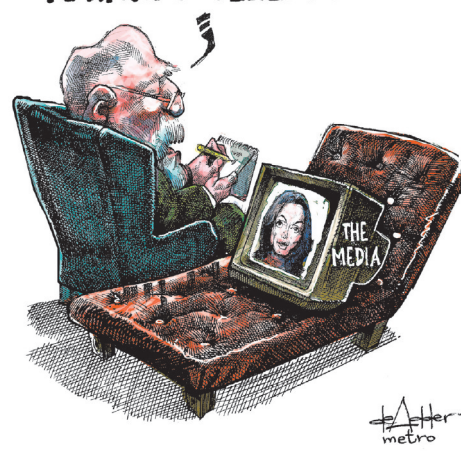
Me: That's my other rat?

The lesson? When you find yourself in a frustrating, unpleasant situation, remind yourself of one thing: It can always get worse. This morning I looked out and there were pigeons.

Sunroofs, tents, rodents. Not a very impressive list. But all about being ready to learn from whatever life brings. And perhaps, after all, wisdom is like birthday gifts. The best lessons come in the smallest insights.

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer. She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE TOWARDS CELEBRITIES?



Worth mentioning

Alcohol can keep you healthy, wealthy, wise

Moderate drinkers are wealthier, more educated and less likely to be disabled than teetotalers, which explains some, but not all, of the association between moderate alcohol consumption and longer life, according to a new study.

Having one drink a day halved a person's risk of dying over the next four years, Dr. Sei J. Lee of San Francisco VA Medical Center and colleagues found. After accounting for several factors that could influence alcohol use and mortality, the effect was weakened, but moderate drinkers were still 28 per cent less likely to die than non-drinkers.

The first study to show that moderate drinkers live longer

than either teetotalers or heavy drinkers was published in 1923. But the jury is still out on whether moderate drinkers are simply healthier overall than non-drinkers, or if alcohol itself used in moderation does benefit health. Lee and colleagues note.

According to Lee and colleagues, people who had a drink a day had a significantly higher socioeconomic status than non-drinkers, as measured by income, wealth, and years of education. For example, 37 per cent of drinkers had a college education, compared to 14 per cent of non-drinkers, and 52 per cent of drinkers had \$300,000 in assets, while 21 per cent of non-drinkers did.

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Metro Online Poll Results

70% SAID YES

Has there been too much coverage of Michael Jackson's death?

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30% SAID NO

Views

Programs drive to take old cars off the road

CleanBreak

Rochelle Owen

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Are there incentives for turning in an older vehicle?

Yes, there are two programs available in Nova Scotia — Car Heaven and Retire Your Ride. Depending on the age and use of the vehicle you will be eligible for one or both of these programs.

If your car is older than 1995, is in running condition, and has been registered and insured in the last six months you can apply to Retire Your Ride. Pro-

gram participants are eligible for rewards such as a membership and driving credits in Halifax Car Share, \$490 towards a bicycle or \$300 cash back. The vehicle is picked up from the owner, hazardous materials are removed, salvageable parts that can be reused are, and the rest of the vehicle is sent to be recycled — about 75 per cent of it.

There is interest in having pre-1995 cars retired because of the air pollution effects they have. Pre-1995 cars have less air pollution technologies, burn more fossil fuels and have been shown to produce 15 times

or more smog pollutant emissions. Burning fossil fuels through vehicles, heating and electricity generation creates air quality

contaminants such as particulate matter (different sizes of chemical dirt that people can inhale) and other chemicals that form with heat to create conditions like smog.

Burning fossil fuels also creates greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide. These gases rise to higher levels in the atmosphere and help to create a gaseous mix that keeps in more reflected heat closer to the Earth as opposed to going off into space. This chain of events is helping

to speed up climate change. The incentives of this program are geared towards vehicle alternatives that may replace the need for a vehicle or a second vehicle.

Old vehicles can also be recycled through the Car Heaven program. Vehicles don't have to be insured, or even be running, as long as they are accessible. Similar to Retire Your Ride, hazardous materials like oil and antifreeze will be removed and components salvaged and recycled. Vehicle owners will benefit by having the vehicle picked up and will receive a \$35 charitable tax receipt from an affiliate charity they choose.

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Websites

- You can register for both programs by visiting their websites at retireyourride.ca or carheaven.ca.

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Halifax's Christian Upshaw and Canada's men's basketball team have advanced to the second phase of the Summer Universiade in Belgrade, Serbia. Upshaw had five points and seven assists as Canada beat China 100-83 to win its round-robin pool. The squad faces Russia today. **METRO HALIFAX**

Sports



Hitler comments draw ire

The World Jewish Congress is calling for the resignation of Formula One boss Bernie Ecclestone, left, after he was quoted as saying that Adolf Hitler "got things done." In an interview with London's *The Times* newspaper, Ecclestone also said democracy "hasn't done a lot of good for many countries — including this one." In a statement yesterday the congress calls on teams, drivers and host countries to suspend co-operation with Ecclestone. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Federer wins record 15th Slam

In the end Andy Roddick, like the rest of Wimbledon, had no choice but to embrace the greatness of Roger Federer.

In one of the most heart-stopping and unforgettable finals seen in a grand slam arena, Federer held his nerve for four hours and 16 astonishing minutes before finally subduing Roddick 5-7, 7-6, 7-6, 3-6, 16-14 to claim the trophy he cherishes above all for the sixth time.

As a Roddick mishit forehand sailed long, Centre Court exploded into a roar of deafening cheers

Doubles

• Toronto's Daniel Nestor and Serbian partner Nenad Zimonjic defended their men's doubles title at Wimbledon on Saturday with a 7-6, 6-7, 7-6, 6-3 win over Americans Bob and Mike Bryan.

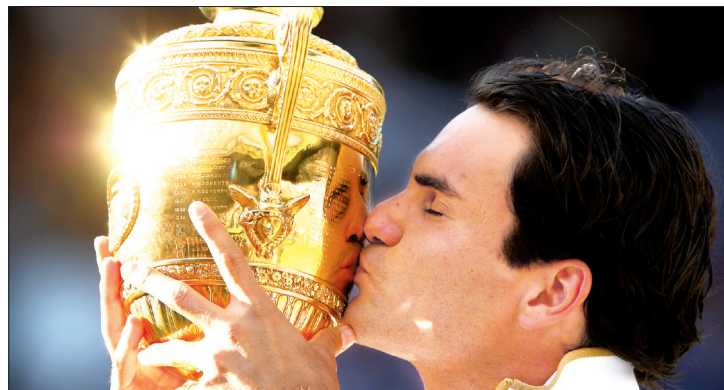
and a jubilant Federer leapt high in the air knowing that he was now the proud owner of a record 15th grand slam title.

Among the 15,000 souls lucky enough to witness the momentous occasion was a beaming Pete Sam-

pras, whose milestone of 14 majors Federer eclipsed yesterday, in the front row of the Royal Box.

"It's not really one of those goals you set as a little boy but, man, it's been quite a career," Federer, who has enjoyed a remarkable month having won the French Open title for the first time just four Sundays ago, told the enthralled crowd.

"It feels amazing, but this is not why I am playing tennis, to break all these records, but it is definitely one of the greatest ones to have." **REUTERS**



Roger Federer kisses the Wimbledon trophy after winning the men's singles final match against Andy Roddick 5-7, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (5), 3-6, 16-14 yesterday in London.

5 Reasons to pay attention to the Gold Cup

Just Soccer

Ben Rycroft



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For whatever reason, hardcore soccer fans in this country tend to turn up their nose at the Gold Cup.

There are very valid reasons for any established soccer-loving country to do that, but this is Canada. And frankly, we're barely on the beautiful game's radar right now.

Tournaments like this one can help that. In 2000, when Canada shocked Mexico in the quarter-finals and beat Columbia 2-0 in the final, the soccer

world sat up and took notice — as did the sporting public here. Canada jumped to 63rd on the world FIFA rankings and earned a berth in the Confederations Cup. We were at least on the world stage — even if it was in extra's role.

There are plenty of reasons to take an interest in this year's Gold Cup, but here are the top 5:

1 Ali Gerba. In Gerba you have a pure goal scorer who can brood up and down the pitch for 80 minutes, before turning on a dime and scoring a goal that will have you out of your seat singing his name (applicable even if you're watching the game by yourself). The half-volley he took out of the air, giving Canada the win over Jamaica Friday, was simply

world-class.

2 Julian De Guzman is the kind of player who is easy to miss if you're not looking for his contribution. The stalwart defensive-midfielder closes down passing lanes and creates counter-attacking opportunities with a Bob Marley-like calm. He's perhaps the best player to ever come out of the Canadian system.

3 Stephen Hart-style soccer. Unlike some (Dale Mitchell) who have tried to force a style of play on a team (Dale Mitchell), Hart is confident enough to trust his players to a style that suits them. His free-flowing game is highly entertaining. Unlike some.

4 The proximity to home makes travelling support possible. Hosted

by the Americans, both the semifinals and final will be in Chicago. As well, Canada plays El Salvador at Crew Stadium in Columbus, Ohio, tomorrow. Red looks great in Crew stadium and best of all, Columbus is now sporting a police force that has been Taser free for 99 days. Here's hoping they make it to a hundred.

5 It's a tournament we can win. And that's not something Canadians can lay claim to very often. The World Cup qualifying in 2008 is now a bad memory. Putting some titles to Canada's name over the next few years would make 2008 more of a drunken blur — which, in a way, is less painful.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca.

McNair's death a homicide: Cops

SHOOTING Police yesterday shot four times — twice in the head, twice in the chest, according to a statement posted on the Nashville police website. A semi-automatic pistol was found underneath the body of his girlfriend, Steve McNair, 20-year-old Sahel McNair's girlfriend, whose death has not been classified. Kazemi, who was shot in the head. **REUTERS**



McNair, who was 36, was

Tucker wins Forbes Chevrolet 100

RACING Shawn Tucker of Fredericton, N.B., won the Carquest Pro Stock Tour's Forbes Chevrolet 100 at Scotia Speedworld yesterday afternoon.

Tucker had a 0.018-of-a-second edge on second-place finisher John Flemming of Halifax. Wayne Smith of Timberlea came third and Shawn Turple of Enfield came fourth. New

Brunswick's Dave O'Brien rounded out the top five.

The Forbes Chevrolet 100 was Carquest's first event since June 6 because of rainouts. It was originally scheduled for Saturday night but was postponed because of fog.

The Carquest schedule resumes in two weeks with the IWK 250 in Antigonish. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Workology

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Nunavut's first masters grads

At a convocation ceremony in Iqaluit on Canada Day, 21 Inuit women graduated with a masters of education from the University of Prince Edward Island, becoming the first students to earn a graduate degree in the territory. In a partnership between uPEI, Arctic College, Nunavut's Department of Education, and St. Francis Xavier University, the students in the MEd in Leadership in Learning program were not required to leave the Arctic for their education. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

One company's huge impact

Deloitte tells its employee's to skip work and volunteer once a year

RAFAEL BRUSILOV
for Metro Canada

Proving that people can make the biggest impact of all, one company is shutting down its business for an entire day to let its employees make a difference in their own communities.

On its upcoming Impact Day on Sept. 26, Deloitte — one of the largest professional services firms in the world — is giving its employees the day off from work to go out into their local communities across the globe and volunteer their time to help people in need.

In an industry where the bottom line rules all, it's almost surreal to think that an entire company would encourage its employees to skip work and hand out food or renovate a shelter instead. Yet Eric Girard, a Deloitte partner and national chair of Impact Day in Canada, says that's exactly what the ritual, entering its fifth year, is all about.

"Last year about 80 per



Seen here are some photos of last year's Impact Day in different parts of Canada. Top: Volunteers collect waste in Vaughan, Ont.; Bottom: Deloitte employees from Halifax fix a bench at a senior's residence.

cent of our people left the office, rolled up their sleeves and helped out in their local communities across Canada. This year we're pretty much shutting down our business to participate," Girard said.

For 2008's Impact Day in

Canada, close to 5,700 employees built a skating rink for at-risk youth in Saguenay, Que., handed out free lunches in Prince Albert, B.C., and mentored new immigrants on interview, resumé and job-hunting skills in Toronto, Ont., among

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2005 for example, employees of Deloitte Grand Cayman helped rebuild residences in the Cayman Islands for victims of Hurricane Ivan and the Deloitte office in Cyprus helped lead blood donation clinics within that country.

Markus Navikenas, senior tax manager with Deloitte in Calgary, has coordinated several previous Impact Day outings in his office and says the best part is seeing employees' self-motivation.

"It's been an eye-opener for a lot of the staff as well — they really bring all the hard work and enthusiasm to Impact Day that they bring to their day jobs," Navikenas said.

Girard believes the true impact of Impact Day even goes well beyond the one-day affair as many employees often continue to volunteer after Impact Day is over, citing the experience as having changed their perception of volunteering.

Workology in brief

JOURNALISTS IN TRAINING A new five-day journalism training camp aimed at keeping young people out of gangs wrapped up recently at Ryerson University in Toronto. More than 20 participants from the suburb of Scarborough learned to craft stories in multimedia form. Director Vinita Srivastava aims to impart media literacy and give youth an outlet for expression.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE According to Statistics Canada, the number of Canadians collecting employment insurance has risen by nearly 40 per cent since last October. In April, 697,000 people were collecting EU benefits, up 2.7 per cent, or 18,600 people from March. The largest percentage of growth occurred in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

RETIREMENT A new report from the Bank of Montreal Retirement Institute says women who are single in retirement face increased financial risks. This is due to a number of factors: In general, women earn less in the workforce; many women have worked fewer years as a result of taking time off during their career to raise children; and women who lived most of their life as part of a couple haven't put a "single retiree" plan into place so they are left unprepared if their spouse dies or they get divorced.

HEATHER BUCHAN/FOR METRO CANADA

Going beyond baby talk for your pet

She Becker once got a call from an owner of a cat named Hades. Kitty wasn't eating well and pacing the house, meowing.

So Becker, 57, an animal communicator, sat down in her comfy family room and mentally connected with him.

She soon got a telepathic message from Hades. He was lonely and wanted to spend more time with his busy owner. He also didn't like his name: He wanted to be called Shine.

At first Hades' owner was a little miffed by the name suggestion. A day later, she remembered: When he'd arrived as a kitten, her grandfather had just died, and she'd often hold the cat singing You Are My Sunshine. When she called Becker to tell her of this memory, she was in tears. "All species can communicate telepathically," says Becker.

Born in Montreal, Becker

always loved animals and got her first kitten at age 10. Nu-Nu was a big grey cat who allowed his young owner to dress him up in doll's clothes.

By high school, Becker had moved to Kitchener, Ont. She planned on becoming a veterinarian, but instead married young (but later divorced) and started working in a bank.

For 32 years she worked

in banking. But another grey cat, this one named Ashley, got sick in the mid 1990 when he was 14. Becker immersed herself in research about everything from nutrition to homeopathy to try to help him.

She wasn't able to save her pet, but the readings and courses she did turned into a new career.

In 2002, she scaled back to part-time at the bank,

and quit entirely a year later. While the bulk of her work is animal communication, she's also trained to do Tellington TTouch, a form of animal massage therapy, and treat animals with Bach

Flower Essences. She also teaches workshops in animal communication.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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After weeks of rehearsals, it's becoming clear: Katie Holmes has to know she can dance. "She's really blossoming into a gorgeous triple-threat star," says choreographer Mia Michaels of the actress' moves for the 100th episode of *So You Think You Can Dance*. **PEOPLE.COM**

Katie thinks she can dance

Entertainment

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Breakdown

Brad Pitt accepted a ride from the paparazzi — who he famously dislikes — after the motorcycle he was riding broke down on the side of the road late last week. **POPEATER.COM**



Massive demand for memorial

More than half a million fans from around the world applied for 17,500 free tickets to Michael Jackson's public memorial service next week, organizers said over the weekend as a massive security operation got underway.

The life and music of the self-proclaimed "king of pop," who died of sudden cardiac arrest July 25, will be celebrated tomorrow at the Staples Center, a basketball arena in downtown Los Angeles.

Officials Friday unveiled an ambitious online lottery that will allow fans to attend either the televised service at the arena or watch the proceedings on a big screen at the nearby Nokia Theatre.

But within minutes, the staplescenter.com server crashed.

"You might want to consider watching this from the comfort of your own home," said Los Angeles City Councilwoman Jan Perry, who is doubling as the city's acting mayor.

The ceremony will also streamed online.

A wide area around the venues in downtown Los Angeles will be blocked off for the 10 a.m. event. Both local and state law-enforcement agencies have been marshaled for duty.

A local news-radio station reported that more than 1,400 officers from the Los Angeles Police Department alone have been asked to volunteer for duty today and tomorrow. The



A memorial for Michael Jackson is to be held tomorrow at the Staples Center in Los Angeles.

LAPD, which has about 9,000 officers in total, declined to comment on the report or to reveal a staffing number.

A Jackson family spokesman declined to provide details of the memorial service, but said there would not be a funeral procession and Jackson's body would not be at the memorial.

Funeral arrangements have not been disclosed, but security has been beefed up at

the Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills mortuary, where his body is believed to be held.

Officials were also tight-lipped about the cost of the memorial service, and who would pay for it.

Like other U.S. cities, Los Angeles is strapped for cash in the global recession and similar questions

about public tax revenues being spent for such an elaborate ceremony surfaced last month when a \$2 million US celebration was given for the champion Los Angeles Lakers professional basketball team.

That event, which attracted over 500,000 people, was eventually funded through private donations.

The city has already budgeted for LAPD overtime, Perry said, adding that officials would "deeply appreciate" help to offset incremental costs, such as transportation, sanitation and staging.

Winners of the tickets were to be contacted yesterday and directed to pick up a pair of tickets and wristbands today. The massive demand raised the question of counterfeiting or scalping, drawing pleas from organizers for fans to act responsibly.

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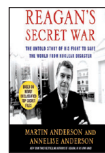
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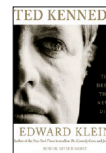
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Martin and Annelise Anderson are nothing short of Ronald Reagan experts. Both former policy advisers to the president, the couple previously released best-sellers *Reagan In His Own Hand*, *Reagan: A Life in Letters* and *Reagan's Path to Victory*. In their latest release, the couple focuses on the Cold War and the influence Reagan had on ending it. In *Reagan's Secret War*, the Andersons make public information contained in millions of once-classified Regan library documents to argue that his long-time motivations were to eradicate nuclear weapons and topple the Soviet Union and that he was the mastermind behind convincing the Soviets to finally entertain negotiation.

Ted Kennedy: The Dream That Never Died

Author: Edward Klein
Publisher: Crown
Price: \$32 (Hardcover)



Perhaps known equally for his political life as his private one, Ted Kennedy has been a subject of public scrutiny for much of his lawmaking career. In this new biography, author Edward Klein speaks candidly with friends and family and Kennedy's colleagues in politics to express the man's legislative achievements set against a rocky past. From the 1969 Chappaquiddick incident, in which Kennedy drove off a bridge, resulting in the death of his passenger Mary Jo Kopechne, to his continued womanizing ways, Klein doesn't ignore the controversy in his chronicle.

Stone's Fall

Author: Ian Pears
Publisher: Knopf Canada
Price: \$34.95 (Hardcover)



In the early pages of *Stone's Fall*, its title comes to correspond quite literally to the fall from a window suffered by wealthy pre-First World War London financier, John Stone, which results in his death. But the magnitude of his demise is realized later, when his widow Elizabeth hires a former journalist, Matthew Braddock, to track down a child of Stone's who is mentioned in his will. Braddock, quickly falling for Elizabeth, soon discovers Stone wasn't worth all that he boasted. But as the story unfolds in reverse chronology, a spy in Italy uncovers that Elizabeth herself may not be all she claims.

— BRIAN COULTON/
FOR METRO CANADA

BookPicks

Urban dismisses Kidman rumours

Keith Urban is more than happy to dismiss rumors that his wife, Nicole Kidman, is pregnant again. "A little bit of tweaking (of photos) does that," he says of where it all comes from, according to Hollyscoop. **METRO WORLD NEWS**



Box office

Following are the top 10 films at the North American box office for the three-day weekend beginning on June 26.

- 1 **Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen:** \$42.5 million (tied)
- 2 **Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs:** \$42.5 million (tied)
- 3 **Public Enemies:** \$26.2 million
- 4 **The Proposal:** \$12.8 million
- 5 **The Hangover:** \$10.4 million
- 6 **Up:** \$6.6 million
- 7 **My Sister's Keeper:** \$5.3 million
- 8 **The Taking of Pelham 1 2 3:** \$2.5 million
- 9 **Year One:** \$2.1 million (tied)
- 10 **Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian:** \$2.1 million (tied)

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Kenya Hunt

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Magic numbers

Potter is back: Box office big bucks assured

Boy wizard Harry Potter is back in cinemas later this month with the sixth installment of the movie franchise, and another box office bonanza looks assured for the Warner Bros. studio.

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince hits screens on July 15, promising high-speed action, dark and dangerous battles with the forces of evil, budding romance at Hogwarts school for wizards and the expected death of a prominent character.

The wait has been a long one for Potter fans around the world who have followed the fate of Harry and his friends through the seven best-selling books by British author J.K. Rowling.

Warner Bros. pushed the release date of Half-Blood Prince back from 2008, leaving a two-year gap since the fifth movie Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix and the final novel Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.

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The release of Potter books and films are major events for the entertainment industry, both because of the passion fans share for the stories, dubbed "Pottermania" in the media, and the amount of money they generate.

The seven Harry Potter

books, which began in 1997, have sold more than 400 million copies worldwide and turned Rowling into a multi-millionaire publishing phenomenon.

The five movies released so far have grossed \$4.5 billion in ticket sales, and box office experts see little rea-



A scene from Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince. The latest in the boy wizard series is expected to be another box office hit.

son to doubt that the sixth installment will fall within the \$800 million to \$1 billion range, a huge amount for a single film.

"This is just a remarkable franchise that has consistently drawn blockbuster numbers each time out, and it is hard to imagine this picture not continuing that trend," said Brandon Gray, president of tracking firm Box Office Mojo.

Pent-up demand is expected to ensure a big opening in the key North American market and in countries like Britain, after which word-of-mouth will be a key factor.

The fact that the Potter story is now complete may mean some fans lose interest, but U.S. advance online ticket sales look strong, ac-

Deathly Hallows

- Two films are being made from the Deathly Hallows book, part one scheduled for release in November 2010 and part two in July 2011.

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cording to Movie Tickets.com.

In Half-Blood Prince, Hogwarts headmaster Dumbledore is intent on preparing student Potter for a final showdown with the evil Lord Voldemort.

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For complete online movie listings, trailers, reviews and tickets, visit:

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critics' corner

U-Carmen

What, no teread song? Well, that's to be expected because there's no bullfight in this reimagining of Georges Bizet's opera, set in modern-day South Africa and translated into Xhosa. Pauline Malefane plays Carmen, a cigarette factory worker romanced by a police sergeant (Andile Tshoni) and a singer (Zweilungile Sidloiyi) — changed from the bullfighter of the original. 9 PM on BRAVO



Triple Sensation

The auditions are over, and now it's time to get to work. In this new episode, the 12 finalists start Master Class, a grueling regimen of training in dance, singing and acting under top instructors. They're watched and graded every minute, and the two contestants with the lowest grades will be sent home. 8 PM on CBC

Dirty Jobs

Why should Mike Rowe have all the fun? In the new episode "Mike's Day Off," the doer of dirty jobs visits his doctor for a physical and challenges the show's executive producers, Eddie Barabini and Craig Pilgiani, to try some unpleasant undertakings in his place. And he picked a doozy for them: cleaning porta-potties. T10 PM on DISCOVERY

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Susan Boyle took time out from the Britain's Got Talent tour to record the first track on her planned album with Simon Cowell's team, people.com reports. "She sounds fantastic on record," says Cowell. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Madge salutes King of Pop

MADGE AND MJ Madonna didn't want to wait until Tuesday in Los Angeles to honour the King of Pop, popeater.com reports.

She paid tribute to Michael Jackson on Saturday night in the same arena where he was to stage his comeback, dancing along with an impersonator doing Jackson's distinctive moves.

Jackson, who died last week, was to begin a series of 50 concerts at the 23,000-seat O2 starting July 13. A picture of a young Jackson appeared on stage while

Madonna was performing Holiday, then the impersonator came on, wearing a se-

quined jacket, white T-shirt, white glove and white socks in the Jackson manner.

The music then switched to Jackson's song Wanna Be Starting Something and the impersonator worked through Jackson's moves, including the famous moonwalk. The impersonator didn't sing.

After the number, Madonna told the crowd, "Let's give it up for one of the greatest artists the world has ever known," and the crowd roared its approval.

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Amy drinking'n'diving?

BAD GUEST Amy Winehouse continues to make life difficult for the staff at her Caribbean hideout. Now they've reportedly banned her from using the resort swimming pool, according to the Sun.

"She is regularly drinking large quantities of wine and rum and no one in her condition should be going anywhere near water," a source in St. Lucia says.

"There are concerns that one night she won't be able to get out of the water and something tragic will happen. Staff have found Amy on a number of occasions collapsed on the grass by the pool after going for a swim."

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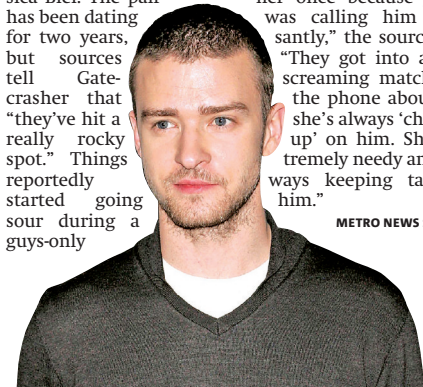
Headed to splitsville?

ROCKY ROADS There may be trouble in paradise for Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel. The pair has been dating for two years, but sources tell Gate-crasher that "they've hit a really rocky spot." Things reportedly started going sour during a guys-only

trip to Las Vegas Timberlake took.

"Justin had to leave dinner once because Jessica was calling him incessantly," the source says. "They got into a huge screaming match over the phone about how she's always 'checking up' on him. She's extremely needy and is always keeping tabs on him."

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Mandy on therapy

THERAPY TIME Mandy Moore finds therapy "freeing," femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer started counselling sessions last year and says it has enabled her to talk through her problems without boring her friends.

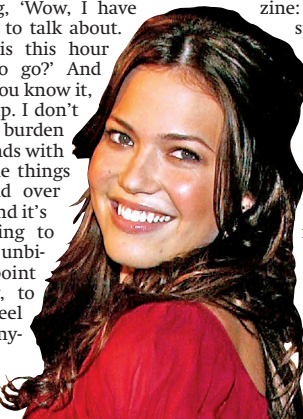
She said: "You go in thinking, 'Wow, I have nothing to talk about. Where is this hour going to go?' And before you know it, time's up. I don't have to burden my friends with the same things over and over again, and it's fascinating to get an unbiased point of view, to not feel like anybody would judge

you. It's very freeing."

Moore also revealed she has an inking of a baby sperm after an impromptu visit to a tattoo parlour with her band. The 25-year-old beauty — who secretly wed musician Ryan Adams in March — told Women's Health maga-

zine: "It's a baby sperm. We were goofing off, writing a song about babies or something. Somehow that evolved into everybody getting inked."

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Potter star gets swine flu

EVEN STARS GET SICK It seems that there's no magic spell against the swine flu, people.com reports.

Rupert Grint, 20, who plays Harry Potter's pal Ron Weasley, caught the notorious bug while filming the latest movie in the wizard series but is now well enough to attend tomorrow's London

premiere of Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince. "It has just been confirmed that Rupert Grint has taken a few days out of filming due to a mild bout of swine flu," his rep says in a statement. "He has now recovered and is looking forward to joining his fellow cast members at the junket and premieres this week and will then return to filming directly afterwards."

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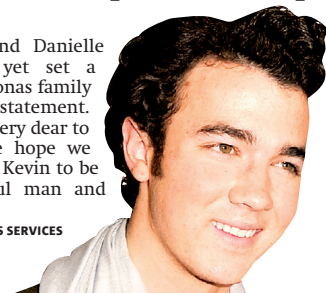
Kevin, fiancée hit up some pie

PIZZA CELEBRATION Kevin Jonas and his fiancée, Danielle Deleasa, celebrated their engagement with party for family and friends at their favourite pizza parlour in Los Angeles Friday night.

Jonas proposed earlier last week with a ring containing 211 diamonds that he designed himself, according to People maga-

zine. "Kevin and Danielle have not yet set a date," the Jonas family said in a statement. "Family is very dear to us, and we hope we have raised Kevin to be a wonderful man and husband."

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Hayden's 'spin' on botched tattoo

OH WELL Heroes star Hayden Panettiere isn't fazed by the misspelled tattoo on her back — because she doesn't have to look at it, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 19 year old has the saying Vivere senza rimpianti — meaning live without regret in Italian — etched on her back, but the tattooist made a mistake. She says, "It is misspelled, whatever, I just put my own spin to it. Chances are I'll probably get it fixed, but that's why I love having it on my back because I don't get bored of it."

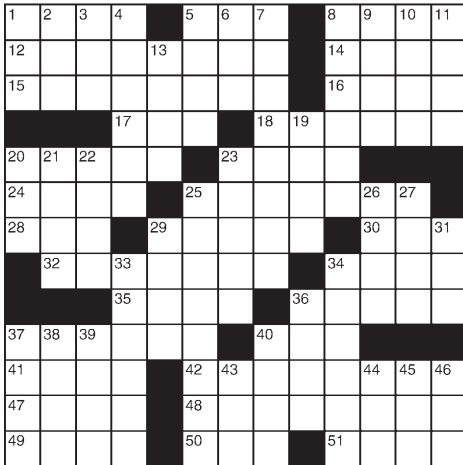
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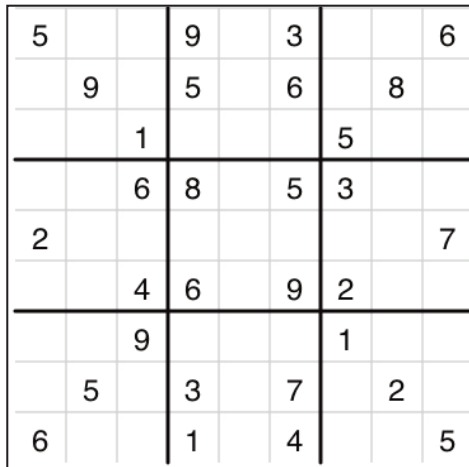
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Crossword across

- 1 Hydrox competitor
- 5 Bro's kin
- 8 Hawaiian island
- 12 Period
- 14 Opening day?
- 15 Womanly
- 16 Give as an example
- 17 Crossword clue abbr.
- 18 Whiteboard adjunct
- 20 Censoring sound
- 23 Hebrew month
- 24 Feedbag fill
- 25 Inge play
- 28 Dallas sch.
- 29 Devour
- 30 Small barrel
- 32 NASCAR repair break
- 34 Deuce beater
- 35 Chooses
- 36 Song of praise
- 37 Long-short-short poetic foot
- 40 Actress West
- 41 Cheer (for)
- 42 Voters in college?
- 47 Initial chip
- 48 Place where motorists take five
- 49 "Cheers" order
- 50 "Mayday!"
- 51 Sicilian volcano

Crossword down

- 1 Vacationing
- 2 Regret
- 3 Shade tree
- 4 Pizza topping
- 5 Mix
- 6 Charged bit
- 7 Accelerates
- 8 Farm wagon
- 9 Parisian pals
- 10 Loathe
- 11 — friendly
- 13 Break suddenly
- 19 Grate
- 20 Derek and Diddle
- 21 Aladdin's —
- 22 Needle case
- 23 Cars
- 25 Soldiers
- 26 Gumbo base
- 27 Rind
- 29 Catch sight of
- 31 Workout room
- 33 Wobble
- 34 Infectious fly
- 36 Treaty
- 37 Colorless
- 38 Top-notch
- 39 Doves' home
- 40 Disarray
- 43 Virgo neighbor
- 44 Mel of baseball lore
- 45 Director Howard
- 46 Hot tub

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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7	3	2	8	6	1	9	5	4
6	4	5	3	9	2	8	1	7
8	9	1	4	7	5	3	6	2

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

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13-17 minScholar
17-21 minSmart
21-25 minNot bad
25+ minKeep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day



Turkey Escalopes with Lemon and Parsley

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 lemons
- 8 sprigs of fresh parsley
- 4 thin slices turkey breast, or turkey escalopes,
- Salt and black pepper
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) olive oil
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) unsalted butter
- 5 tbsp (75 mL) chicken stock

METHOD:

1. Squeeze juice from one lemon into bowl and set aside. Wash any wax from other lemon, cut into thin slices and set aside for garnish. Rinse and dry parsley and set 4 sprigs aside for garnish; finely chop rest and set aside.
2. Place turkey slices or escalopes, one at a time, between two sheets of plastic wrap and pound gently with rolling pin until extremely thin. Season with salt and pepper.
3. Heat oil and half the butter in large frying pan

over high heat, until bubbling. Quickly fry escalopes, two at a time if necessary, 1 1/2 minutes each side, until lightly browned and no longer pink in middle. Then transfer to warm dish.

4. Pour stock into frying pan and heat, stirring and scraping up residue from bottom. Add half the lemon juice, remaining butter, and parsley. Reduce to simmer, add escalopes, overlapping if necessary, and any juices, and heat through for 30 seconds per side. Season to taste, and add more lemon juice if you like, then serve garnished with lemon slices and parsley.

SERVES 4



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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You cannot see the whole picture regarding a money matter of some kind, so resist the urge to make a snap decision.



TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Let someone you have feelings for know how much you care for them. Don't just assume that they know already.



LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

The Sun in Cancer brings challenges but it also boosts your determination to succeed, so hang in there. Your luck will change soon.



SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

By all means aim to bring a feud to an end but don't give too much away. Compromise is a must today but it has to be a fair deal for everyone.



GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

If others want to cut corners and break rules today that's up to them, but you are advised to stick to the straight and narrow.



SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

You're not usually this sensitive to criticism but the approaching lunar eclipse is certainly making you more touchy than usual.



CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

If you want to get ahead in your work and if you want your private life to run smoothly you must put aside petty differences. They're not worth the worry.



CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

You have rarely been so popular, but you cannot possibly accept every single social invitation. Go where you feel you would have the most fun.



LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

Someone who is full of their own importance seems to think they can say anything and get away with it. They're wrong.



AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Someone will flatter you shamelessly today and although you know it's a monumental lie you will secretly enjoy the attention.



VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

You may like to chat with people you hardly know, but don't give away information about what you are doing that might be used against you in the future.



PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

Your social scene may be a bit boring at the moment but the planets indicate that it will get a lot more interesting between now and next weekend.



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